

Emma House Domestic Violence Services Incorporated (EHDVSI) is a feminist organisation that provides support and assistance to women and their accompanying children who are experiencing, or who have experienced, domestic violence / family violence. The range of services can include crisis response, accommodation and / or outreach services that are high quality and contemporary best practice models of service delivery.

Purpose of the Position

The Board governs as elected members of the EHDVSI Association and aims to provide strong feminist leadership, strategic direction and risk management for the organisation.

Organisational Relationships

1. Collectively, the Board members are accountable to the community via the EHDVSI Association.
2. The Executive Officer is the Executive Officer of the Board and reports directly to the Board.
3. Board members are required to abide by the EHDVSI Board Code of Conduct, which promotes respectful relationships between Board members and although no direct line management structure exists between the Board and the general staff group, it is important for this relationship to be also be supportive and respectful.

Qualifications & Experience

Applicants must:

- be women over the age of 18 years;
- have a personal perspective that is consistent with the right of women and children to live free from violence;
- be able to commit time and energy to achieving the goals of EHDVSI by attending monthly Board meetings and undertaking specific tasks as negotiated; and
- have personal and / or professional qualities, skills and experience that would support and enhance the leadership that the Board provides.
- Tertiary qualifications are desirable, as is substantial experience in a management and/or governance setting.
- Experience within a governance setting for a DHHS funded agency is highly regarded.

Expectations

Be willing to use your current qualities, skills and experience to contribute to:

- the ongoing development and effectiveness of the Board.
- any Board sub-committees of which you become a member.
- the ongoing development and effectiveness of Emma House, its strategic direction and its policies.
- compliance with relevant law and funding agreements.
- the monitoring of Emma House's financial position.

Emma House fosters and supports the skill development and relevant additional training for Board members.